आवश्यकताओं के अनुसार संदर्भ तथा तकनीकी पुस्तकें खरीद रहे हैं। ऐसी खरीद आवश्यकता पर आधारित होती है और इसके लिए कोई केन्द्रीयकृत चयन समिति नहीं है।

पिछले दो वर्षों के दौरान सेना मुख्यालयों और तटरक्षक ने सैनिकों के मनोरंजन के लिए कुल 4984 पुस्तकें खरीदी थीं।

Services conditions of staff in MI Directorate

3811. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Examiners, Assistant Examiners and Packers working in the MI Directorate of Ministry of Defence have time and again represented against the prevaling stagnation with regard to their promotional avenues and further service prospects during the last ten years and if so, the facts thereof;

(b) whether Government have considered their grievances/demands and taken any steps to improve there pay scales and provide more promotional avenues and if so, the details thereof with justification; and

(c) whether Government have taken any initiative to present their case to the Fifth Pay Commission in order to improve their service prospects and pay scales, and if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) and (b) Representations were received from Censor Staff prior to setting up of the Fourth Central Pay Commission. Suggestions for upgradation of pay scales and creation of posts in a higher grade were made to the Fourth Central Pay Commission. The recommendations of the Commission for grant of the revised pay scales of Rs. 2000-3500, Rs. 1600-2660, Rs. 1400-2300 and Rs. 775-1025 to the posts of Supervisory Examiner, Examiner, Assistant Examiner and Packer respectively were accepted and given effect to.

(c) The matter regarding further improvement in pay scales etc., falls in the purview of the Fifth Central Pay Commission. Examiners Welfare Association has already forwarded their memorandum accordingly.

US views on the defence requirements of sub continent

3812. DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI:

SHRI TRILOKI NATH CHATURVEDI:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what are the important points discussed with the U.S. Defence Secretary during his recent visit to New Delhi;

(b) whether Government have found and shift in U.S. views on the culture of violence, defence requirements of the sub continent and active support by Pakistan to terrorist subversionists in J and K and elsewhere in India; and

(c) what were the specific defence matters discussed and what are the agreements made?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) Co-operation in U.N. Peace keeping establishing a broader Security dialogue, closer ties at the level of civilian defence leadership, between the uniformed Services, and in the field of defence production and research, were some of the important points discussed with U.S. Defence Secretary during his recent visit to New Delhi.

(b) Our respective position on these matters were reiterated by both sides. "A Security Perception Briefing" was also provided to the U.S. Defence Secretary.

(c) An "Agreed Minute" on defence relations between India and the U.S.A. was signed. It provides for Civilian-to-Civilian interaction, Service-to-Service Co-operation and Co-operation in the field of research and development. The

signing of this accord is in line with Government's stand that steps to ensure improvement of our bilateral defence relations with the U.S., will be taken in a manner consistent with our national interest

Expenditure on R&D from defence budget

3813. DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI:

SHRI TRILOKI NATH CHATURVEDI:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state

(a) the percentage of expenditure on R&D from the defence budget during the years 1990, 1992, 1993 and 1994;

(b) whether Government have any system of monitoring and evaluating the technical and scientific research in DRDO and relating it with the expenditure incurred; and

(c) if so, what are its salient features and if not, whether Government propose to introduce this?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) The percentage of expenditure on R&D from the Defence Budget for the year 1990-91 to 1993-94 are as under:

1990-91	4.3%
1991-92	4.2
1992-93	4.5%
1993-94	4.8%

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) All activities of DRDO are monitored through a system of structured multilayer reviews based on project cost, technological complexity and end user Reviewers are drawn from Academic Institutes, National S&T agencies and Users Services etc. In addition the projects are also critically reviewed by project based multi-tier Management Boards, Steering Committees, R&D Panels and Defence Research & Development Council. Status reviews are also conducted by Services Chiefs and Apex review by Raksha Mantri/Raksha Rajya Mantri.

Maintenance and sirvicing units for air-crafts

3814. SYED SIBTEY RAZI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 1494 given in the Rajya Sabha on 23rd March, 1995 and state:

(a) the details of cost of serving and maintenance units of HAL;

(b) whether civil maintenance and servicing of leading fighting aircrafts and civilian Boeing Planes was being got done from some unit other than HAL;

(c) if so, the names of such unit with estimated expenditure;

(d) whether development of HAL for such service of Mirage Aircrafts will save huge amount every year; and

(e) if so, the details thereof with utilisation of such saving?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) to (c) Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) have facilities for repair and overhaul of a majority of aircraft held by the IAF. In cases where facilities do not exist at HAL, the IAF has them overhauled in-house or abroad. Air India and Indian Airlines have their own arrangements for overhaul and servicing. HAL has been carrying out 'Check B' and 'Check C' on Boeing-737 aircraft for some private operators/airlines. The servicing and overhaul costs at HAL, because of its lower labour rates, are less than the costs abroad.

(d) and (e) It is more economical to overhaul Mirage-2000 aircraft in the country than to send them abroad for overhaul. The economy is on account of HAL's lower labour rates and prices of such spare parts as are indigenised